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## **Corps of Engineers extends environmental assessment completion date**

*FORT WORTH, Texas* – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, announced today it would extend the completion date for a draft environmental assessment (EA) on revised mowing, under brushing, and access path guidelines for adjacent landowners at Grapevine and Lewisville Lakes. Because more time is needed to gather public input and to perform additional mapping at the lakes, the assessment will be completed in the September-October timeframe rather than in late July.

The revised guidelines are needed to ensure that mowing, under brushing and access path activities by adjacent landowners are balanced with the general public's right to use Corps lands and the Corps' natural resources stewardship mission.

The revised guidelines will address adjacent landowners' concerns such as allowable mowing distances, mowing times and size and type of underbrush that can be removed. When the Corps publishes the draft EA on the revised guidelines in the September-October 2004 timeframe, the public will have a 30-day period to comment on the draft.

Adjacent landowners should continue to follow existing guidelines while the revisions are being completed. Persons interested in offering recommendations on revisions to the current guidelines are encouraged to review the guidelines, which can be obtained through the Elm Fork Project Office at 1801 N. Mill St, Lewisville, Texas or by calling 972-434-1667. The existing guidelines are also posted on the project website at: <http://155.84.70.101/lewisville/adjlandlvi.htm> for Lewisville Lake and at <http://155.84.70.101/lewisville/adjlandgr.htm> for Grapevine Lake.